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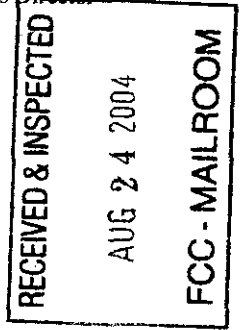
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To Whom It May Concern:

This letter is an appeal to the denial of the Baraga Area Schools funding request for Funding Year 2004. The CC docket number is No 02-6. This letter is in regard to Form 470 for the Baraga Area Schools reference number 608440000493778. The school district is appealing the funding commitment decision, which states that the FRN references a form 470, which has not been certified. The Baraga Area School's billed entity number is 131762. The applicant form identifier is BAS 471. The Form 471 application number is 425432. The date of the fcdl is July 20, 2004.

The school system submitted this form online on or before the deadline date of February 4, 2004. The funding request number for Internet Access is 1179823, Internal Connections 1179621 and Telecommunications Service, 1179929. Enclosed is a copy of page 11 on form 470 with the superintendent's signature.

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We therefore do respectfully request that our application be accepted since it was our understanding that everything needed to make application for form 470 was submitted. If there is anything else that we need to do, please advise us.

My contact information is: Lynn Ketola
5 North Front Street
L'Anse, MI 49946
906-524-6565
fax 906-524-7171
lketola@up.net

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Lynn Ketola".

Lynn Ketola
Contact person for the Baraga Area schools universal service fund
E rate application 425432



Universal Service Administrative Company
Schools & Libraries Division

FUNDING COMMITMENT DECISION LETTER

(Funding Year 2004: 07/01/2004 - 06/30/2005)

July 20, 2004

Dave Morehouse
BARAGA AREA SCHOOLS
210 Lyons Street
PO Box 428
Baraga, MI 49908

Re: Form 471 Application Number: 425432
Funding Year 2004: 07/01/2004 - 06/30/2005
Billed Entity Number: 131762
Applicant's Form Identifier: BAS 471

Thank you for your Funding Year 2004 E-rate application and for any assistance you provided throughout our review. Here is the current status of the funding request(s) featured in the Funding Commitment Report at the end of this letter.

- The amount, \$23,093.45 is "Denied."

Please refer to the Funding Commitment Report on the page following this letter for specific funding request decisions and explanations.

The Important Reminders and Deadlines immediately preceding this letter are provided to assist you throughout the application process.

NEXT STEPS

- Review technology planning approval requirements
- Review CIPA Requirements
- File Form 486
- Invoice the SLD using the Form 474 (service providers) or Form 472 (Billed Entity)

FUNDING COMMITMENT REPORT

On the pages following this letter, we have provided a Funding Commitment Report for the Form 471 application cited above. The enclosed report includes a list of the Funding Request Number(s) (FRNs) from your application. The SLD is also sending this information to your service provider(s) so preparations can be made to begin implementing your E-rate discount(s) after you file your Form 486. Immediately preceding the Funding Commitment Report, you will find a guide that provides a definition for each line of the Report.

TO APPEAL THIS DECISION:

If you wish to appeal the decision indicated in this letter, your appeal must be received by the SLD or postmarked within 60 days of the date of this letter. Failure to meet this requirement will result in automatic dismissal of your appeal. In your letter of appeal:

1. Include the name, address, telephone number, fax number, and e-mail address (if available) for the person who can most readily discuss this appeal with us.
2. State outright that your letter is an appeal. Identify which Funding Commitment Decision(s) you are appealing. Indicate the relevant funding year and the date

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Entity Number	07-020	Applicant's Form Identifier	BAS 470
Contact Person	Lynn Ketola	Contact Telephone Number	906.524.6565

Block 5: Certification and Signature

- 19 The applicant includes: (Check one or both.)
- (a) schools under the statutory definitions of elementary and secondary schools found in the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001, 20 U.S.C. Secs. 7801(18) and (38), that do not operate as for-profit businesses, and do not have endowments exceeding \$50 million; and/or
- b libraries or library consortia eligible for assistance from a State library administrative agency under the Library Services and Technology Act of 1996 that do not operate as for-profit businesses and whose budgets are completely separate from any school (including, but not limited to elementary and secondary schools, colleges, and universities).
- 20 All of the individual schools, libraries, and library consortia receiving services under this application are covered by:
- (a) individual technology plans for using the services requested in the application; and/or
- b higher-level technology plans for using the services requested in the application; or
- c no technology plan needed; application requests basic local and/or long distance telephone service only.
- 21 Status of technology plans (if representing multiple entities with mixed technology plan status, check both a and b):
- (a) technology plan(s) has/have been approved by a state or other authorized body.
- b technology plan(s) will be approved by a state or other authorized body.
- c no technology plan needed; application requests basic local and/or long distance telephone service only.
- 22 I certify that the services the applicant purchases at discounts provided by 47 U.S.C. Sec. 254 will be used solely for educational purposes and will not be sold, resold, or transferred in consideration for money or any other thing of value.
- 23 I recognize that support under this support mechanism is conditional upon the school(s) or library(ies) I represent securing access to all of the resources, including computers, training, software, maintenance, and electrical connections necessary to use the services purchased effectively.
- 24 I certify that I am authorized to submit this request on behalf of the above-named entities, that I have examined this request, and to the best of my knowledge, information, and belief, all statements of fact contained herein are true.

25 Signature of authorized person	26 Date
	January 26, 2004

27 Printed name of authorized person	David Morehouse		
28 Title or position of authorized person	Superintendent		
29a Street Address, P.O. Box, or Route Number	PO Box 428		
City	Baraga		
State	MI	Zip Code	49908
29b Telephone number of authorized person	906.353.6664	29c Fax number of authorized person	
29d E-mail address of authorized person	fiddler@up.net		

Persons willfully making false statements on this form can be punished by fine or forfeiture, under the Communications Act, 47 U.S.C. Secs. 502, 503(b), or fine or imprisonment under Title 18 of the United States Code, 18 U.S.C. Sec. 1001.

Service provider involvement with preparation or certification of a Form 470 can taint the competitive bidding process and result in the denial of funding requests. For more information, refer to the "Service Provider Role in Assisting Customers" at www.sl.universalservice.org/vendor/manual/chapter5.doc or call the Client Service Bureau at 1-888-203-8100.

